

REMARKS


The Notice of Allowance mailed by the Examiner on September 28, 2001 indicated that Claims 8 and 19-20 were pending and allowed. However, Applicants point out that claims 9 and 10 had never been canceled and are therefore still pending in the instant application. By the above amendment, Claim 9 has been canceled without prejudice and Claim 10 amended to change the dependency to depend from Claim 8. After entry of the amendments, Claims 8, 10 and 19-20 will remain pending and under consideration.

Applicants submit that the present amendments do not raise new issues for the Examiner's consideration; instead, the amendments serve to place the application in condition for allowance. Applicants submit that the amendments should therefore be entered, and passage to issue is earnestly requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment.

The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,


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Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

10. (Twice Amended) The method of Claim 8 9, wherein R¹ is hydrogen, aryl, formyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with formyl, C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxycarbonyl.